

Citizen Complaint Authority

Board Meeting
December 15, 2003

6:00 pm
City Hall, Council Chambers

Chairperson Nancy Minson called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm. Seven board members were present (Ms. Nancy Minson, Mr. John Eby, Dr. Walter Bowers, Ms. Sandra Butler Mr. Richard Siegel, Ms. Camille Haamid, and Mr. Justin Wolterman.)

Mission Statement of the CCA was read by Chairperson Minson.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Ms. Minson explained guidelines for public speakers to follow. There will be one warning given to disruptive speakers and then they will be escorted out of the City Council Chambers by the CPD.

Minutes from the previous December 1, 2003 CCA Board Meeting were then approved as submitted. Lieutenant Mark Briede was available at the meeting as a resource person.

Executive Director's Report:

Update Items:

CCA Investigator Gregory Pychewicz represented the Interim CCA Executive Director Daniel Baker, who was recuperating from recent surgery.

Mr. Pychewicz read a written response from Mr. Baker concerning a question asked by the CCA Board during the December 1, 2003 Meeting. The question was: "Are there problems with the 90-day period for investigations? If so, is it due to: (A) low staff or (B) does the 90-day day period need to be changed?"

Chairperson Minson summarized Mr. Baker's response to the satisfaction of the CCA Board Members concerning these two (2) questions. However, Chairperson Minson indicated that the CCA Board still desired a tracking mechanism for existing CCA cases, as well as feedback from previous cases after the City Manager has made a determination of the submitted CCA cases.

Ms. Butler noted that three of the submitted cases for tonight did not have an Executive Summary from the Executive Director. These three cases dealt with complaints filed in 2002 under the auspices of the Office of Municipal Investigation (OMI).

Mr. Baker stated in a written message provided to the CCA Board, "Pursuant to a process Mr. Ford and the Board used in April 2003, I will provide the Board with Investigator reports on OMI cases that were carried over. They will not have an Executive Summary and will be

recommended for approval (as in April) without Board comment.”

The CCA Board determined that they reserved the right to review each of the cases as a CCA investigation. Previously, these OMI cases were forwarded without an Executive Summary and without Board approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Nathaniel Livingston spoke concerning his on-going investigation.

New Business:

Because there were a number of speakers for **Case #02193**, Chairperson Minson requested that case to be reviewed first. The following speakers spoke on case #02-193: Sister Helen Cullen; Ms. Michele Taylor-Mitchell; Mr. Jessie Roley; Ms. Iris Roley and Mr. Dwight Patton. The CCA Board requested that two speakers (Sister Cullen & Ms. Taylor-Mitchell) not interviewed for the investigation, be interviewed.

Motion was made to refer **Case #02193** back to the CCA investigator for further investigation. **Motion passed: 7-0.**

Ms. Robyn Scott spoke on a previous summary disposition matrix case, which was discussed at the December 1, 2003 meeting. Ms. Scott wanted to see the ESL the police officer received. Due to an illness of a CCA investigator, this information was not available at the board meeting. Chairperson Minson stated she will contact Ms. Scott and provide this information to her.

Mr. Michael Oetzel spoke on **CPD Case #03238** which was a Summary Disposition Matrix case.

In terms of Summary Disposition Matrix Case #03-312 [Ms. Valerie Cave] no respondent was indicated in the conclusion. Motion was made to remove case from consideration and to classify it as pending. **Motion passed 7-0.**

Motion was made to approve the Summary Dispositions contained in this Matrix, with the exclusion of Case #03-312 and **passed 7-0.**

Case #03182: Motion was made to accept the report as submitted with Executive Director’s recommendation. **Motion passed: 7-0.**

Case #03255: This case was referred back to the CCA investigator for further investigation. Area to be explored in the inquiry was the allegations made by Mr. Gilbert Holley

Case #03324: Motion was made to accept the report as submitted with Executive Director's recommendation, but amended to reflect what decontamination methods were utilized by CPD. **Motion passed: 7-0.**

Case #03343: (Shots Fired) Motion was made to accept the report as submitted with Executive Director's recommendation. **Motion passed: 7-0.**

Case #03350: Motion was made to accept the report as submitted with Executive Director's recommendation. **Motion passed: 7-0.** CCA Board members requested an explanation of the status of this case from October 7, 2003 when it was completed by the CCA investigator to December 15, 2003 when it was submitted for consideration to the CCA Board.

Case #02253: Motion was made to accept the report as submitted and refer to City Manager. **Motion passed 6-1.** Mr. Eby voted no.

Case #02327: Motion was made to accept the report as submitted and refer to City Manager. **Motion passed 6-1.** Mr. Eby voted no.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Kabaka Oba spoke to the CCA Board.

CCA Board adjourned at 8:21 pm. Next meeting will be January 5, 2004 at 6 pm in the City Council Chambers.